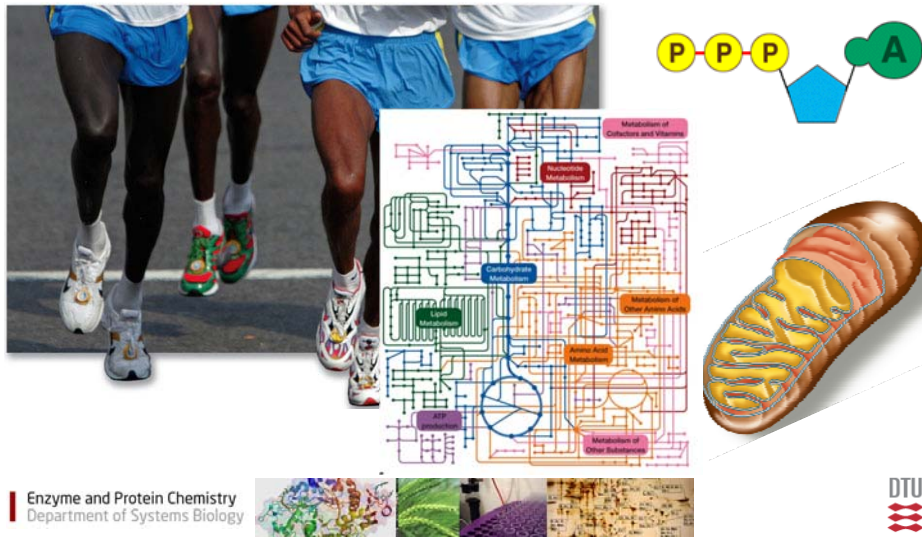


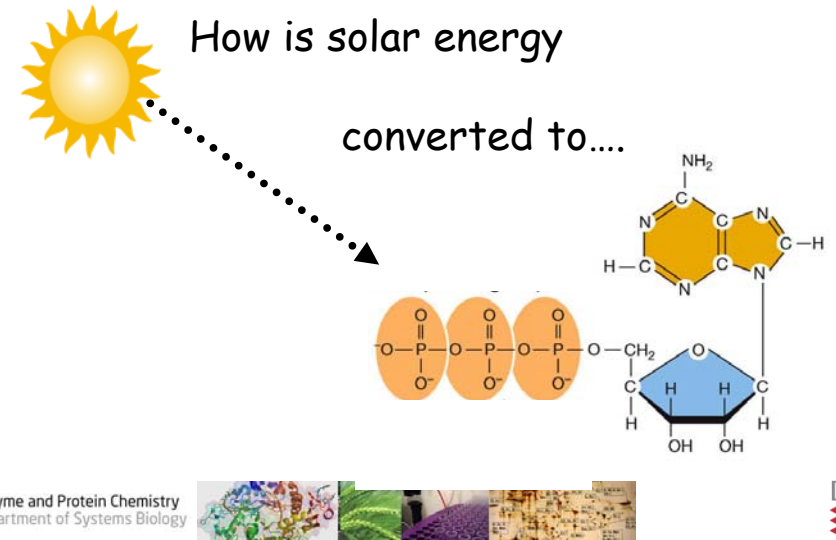
# Pathways that harvest chemical energy



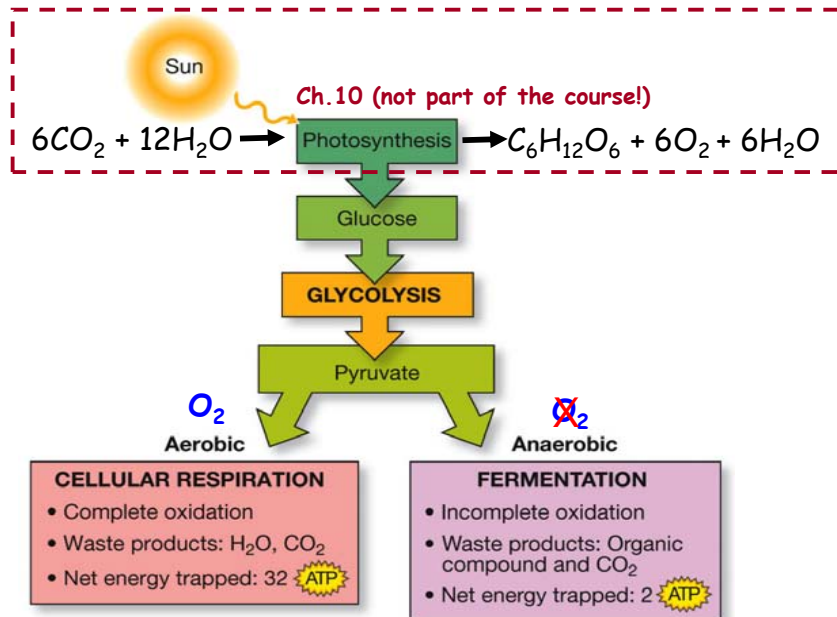
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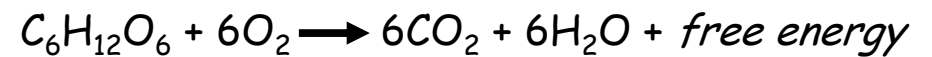
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## Oxidation of glucose



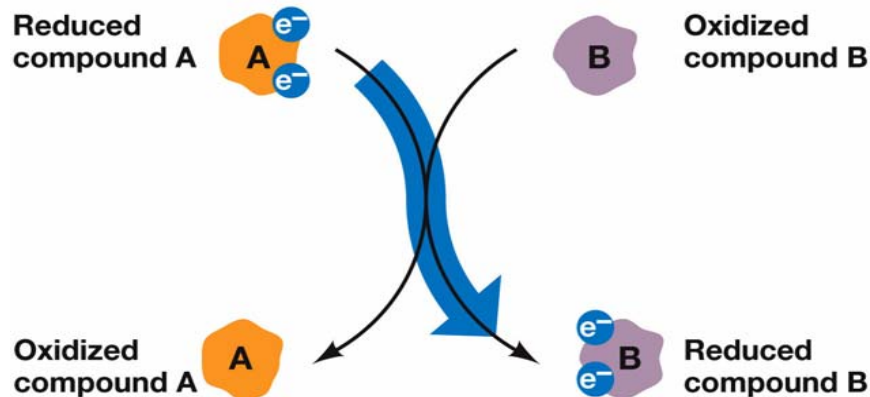
$$\Delta G = -2870 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$



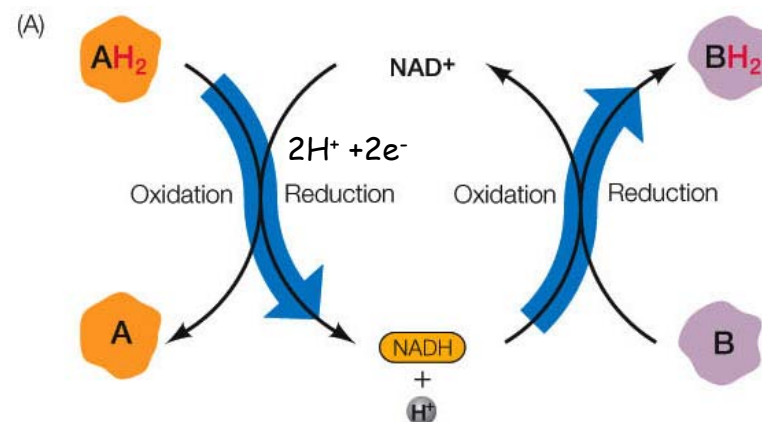
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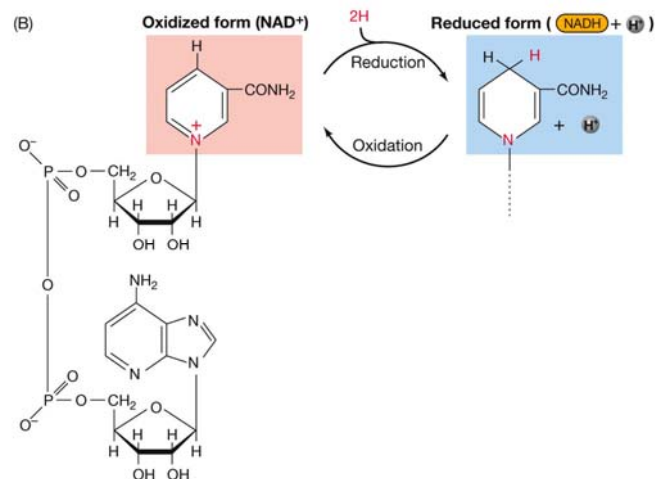
## Oxidation is always coupled to reduction: **Redox** reactions



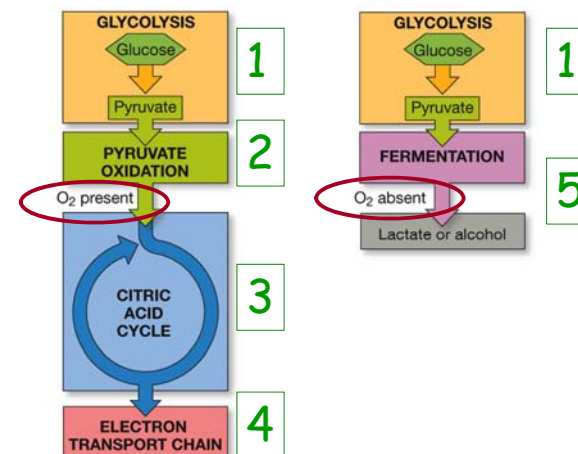
## **NAD<sup>+</sup>** is a **co-enzyme** that transports electrons



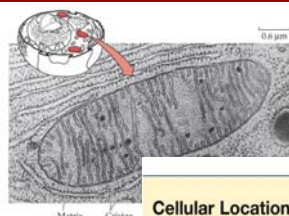
## Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide



## Five pathways that harvest energy from glucose



# Pathways are compartmentalised in eukaryotes



**Mitochondrion: power station of the cell**

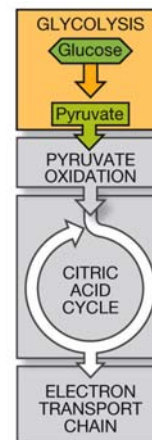
TABLE 7.1

Cellular Locations for Energy Pathways in Eukaryotes and Prokaryotes

		EUKARYOTES	PROKARYOTES
1	5	External to mitochondrion	In cytoplasm
		Glycolysis	Glycolysis
2	3	Matrix	Matrix
		Citric acid cycle	Citric acid cycle
4		Inner membrane	On plasma membrane
		Electron transport chain	Electron transport chain

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## Glycolysis

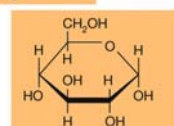


- The first pathway for aerobic and anaerobic catabolism of glucose
- 10 enzymes
- Does not require oxygen
- Occurs in cytoplasm

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## The first 5 reactions of glycolysis are **endergonic**

### ENERGY-INVESTING REACTIONS



Glucose



Glucose-6-phosphate

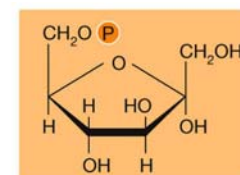
**2 ATP** are used to phosphorylate glucose and form fructose 1,6-bisphosphate

**Kinases:**

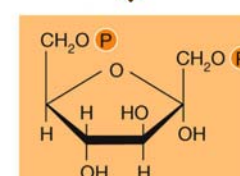
enzymes that transfer phosphate from ATP to another molecule

Phosphohexose isomerase

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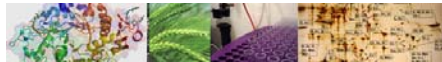
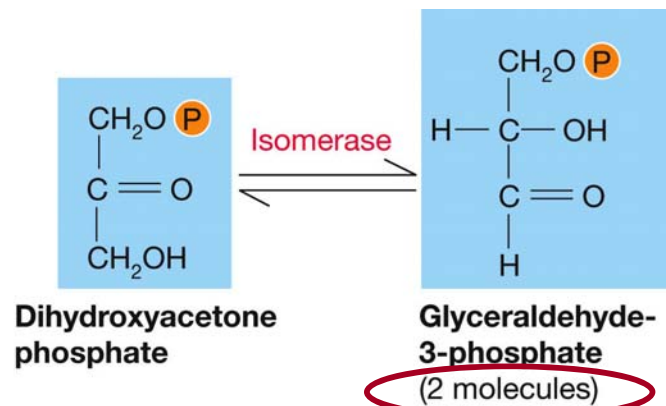
Fructose-6-phosphate



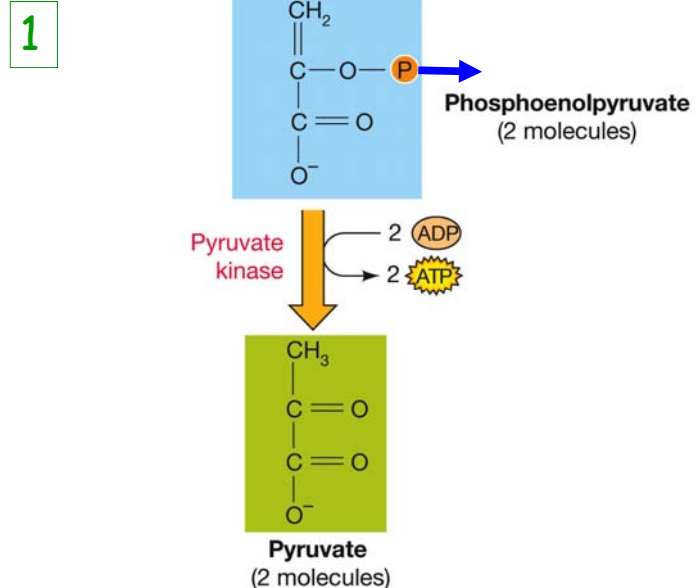
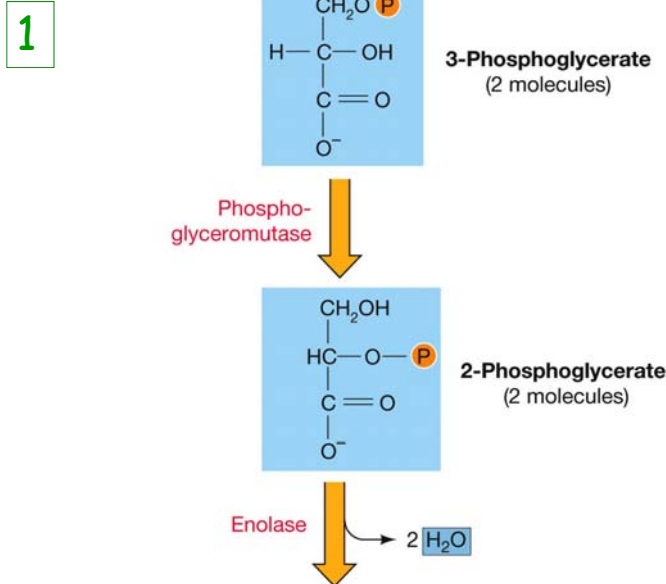
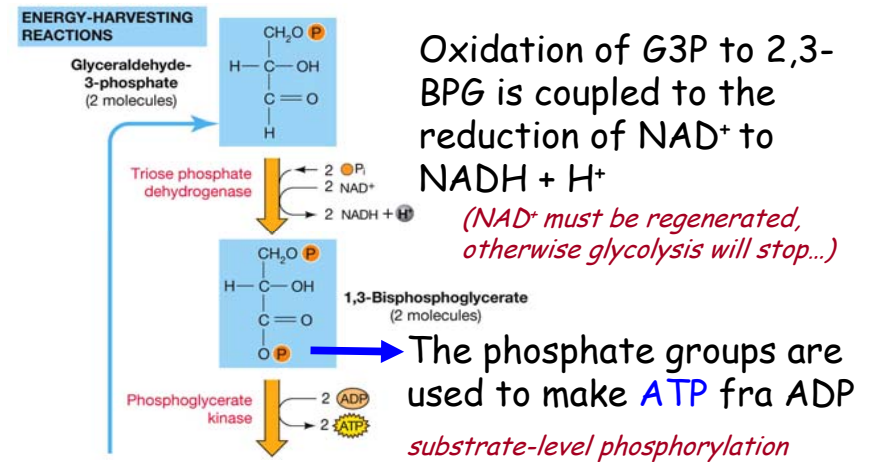
Fructose-1,6-bisphosphate

Aldolase

1 2 molecules Glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate ( $C_3$ ) are formed from 1 glucose ( $C_6$ )

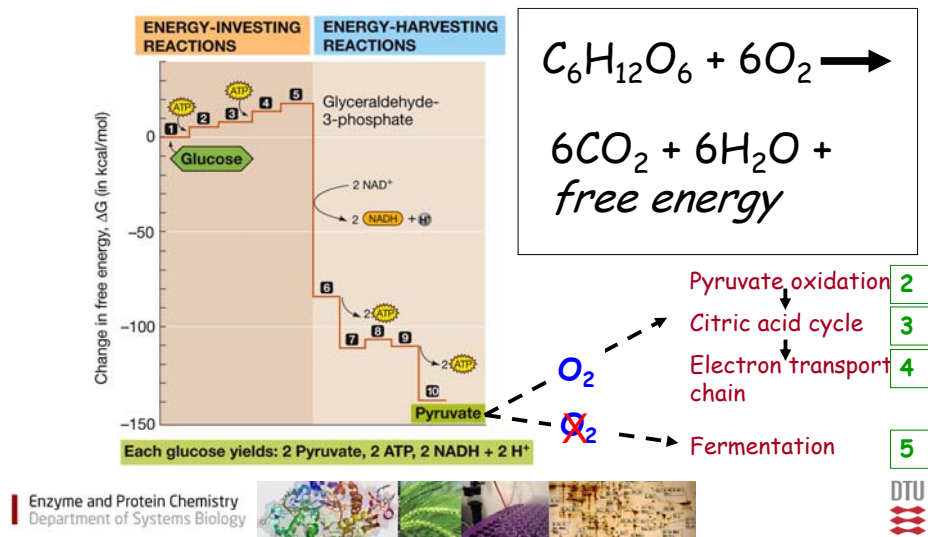


1 The next 5 reactions of glycolysis are **exergonic**

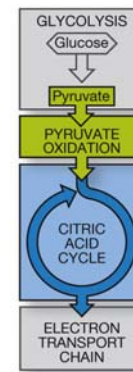




## 1 Glycolysis: no O<sub>2</sub> consumption or CO<sub>2</sub> production



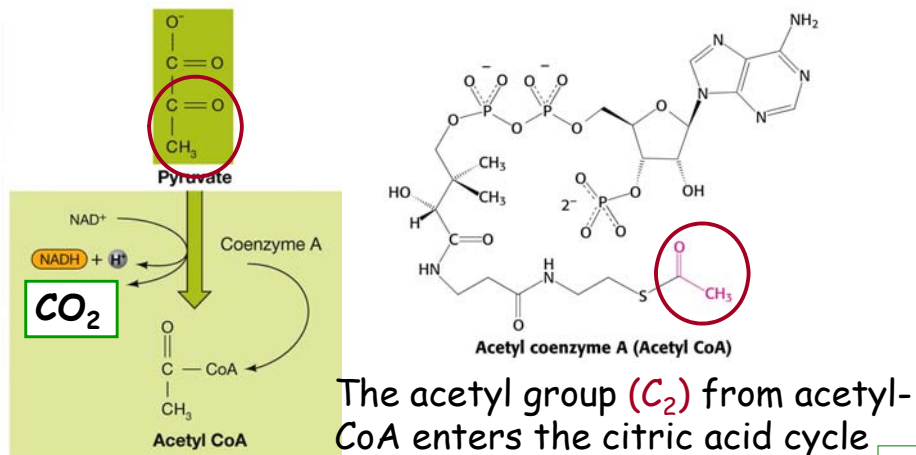
## 2 Oxidation of pyruvate



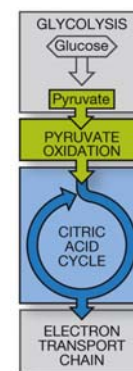
- Pyruvate is oxidised to acetate, which reacts with Coenzyme A
- Catalysed by the Pyruvate dehydrogenase multienzyme complex (4-10 million Da)
- Produces CO<sub>2</sub>, NADH and Acetyl-CoA
- Takes place in mitochondrial matrix: the enzyme complex is anchored to the inner membrane



## 2 Oxidation of pyruvate



## 3 Citric acid cycle

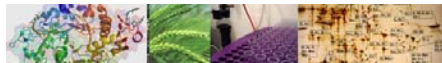
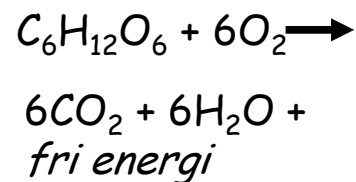
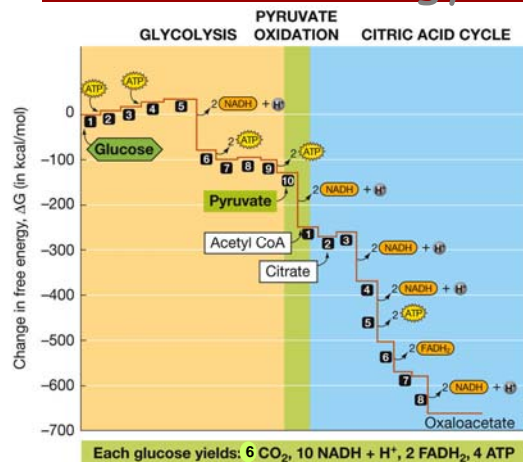


- The acetyl group is fully oxidised to 2CO<sub>2</sub>
- The cycle is in *steady-state*
- Takes place in mitochondrial matrix
- Produces CO<sub>2</sub>, NADH, FADH<sub>2</sub> and GTP (GTP is then used to make ATP)



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## The citric acid cycle releases more energy than glycolysis

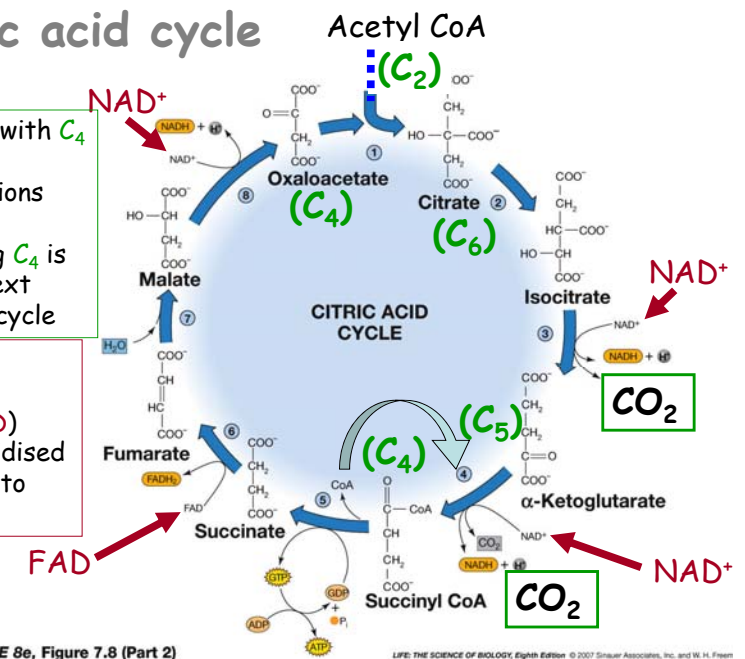


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## Citric acid cycle

C<sub>2</sub> condenses with C<sub>4</sub> to give C<sub>6</sub>  
Decarboxylations release 2CO<sub>2</sub>  
The remaining C<sub>4</sub> is used in the next round of the cycle

Electron transporters (NAD<sup>+</sup> og FAD) must be reoxidised for the cycle to continue



## Regeneration of NAD<sup>+</sup> and FAD for glycolysis and citric acid cycle

- Requires an *electron acceptor*, that becomes reduced

### Under aerobic conditions: O<sub>2</sub>

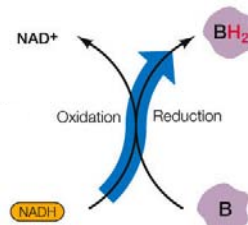
-Oxidative phosphorylation (energy from oxidation of FADH<sub>2</sub> and NADH is coupled to synthesis of ATP)

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### Under anaerobic conditions: pyruvate

- Fermentation: reduction of pyruvate to lactic acid or ethanol

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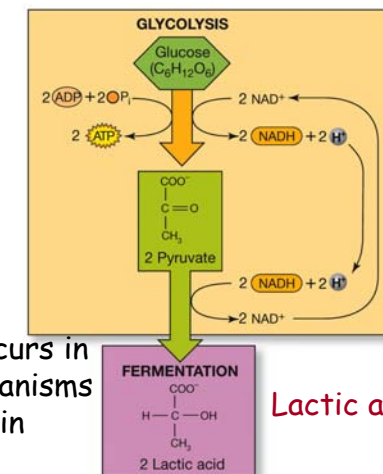
## Fermentation (anærobic catabolism)

Energy yield is  
2 ATP per glucose

Takes place in cytoplasm

NAD<sup>+</sup> is regenerated

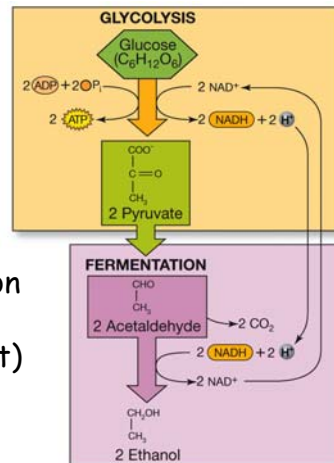
Lactic acid fermentation occurs in various microorganisms and muscle cells in animals



Lactic acid



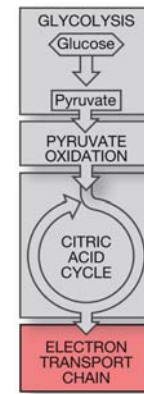
## 5 Fermentation (anærobic catabolism)



Alcoholic fermentation occurs in various microorganisms (yeast) and some plants



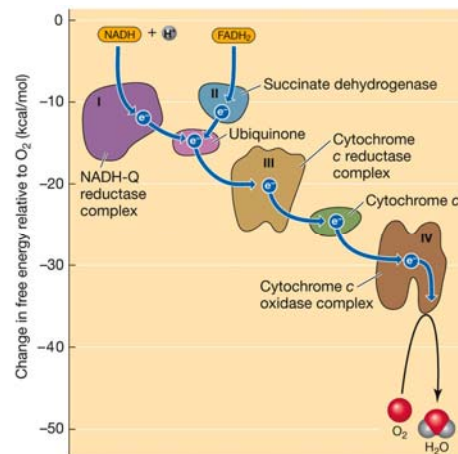
## 4 Oxidative Phosphorylation (respiratory chain)



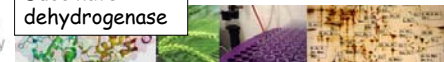
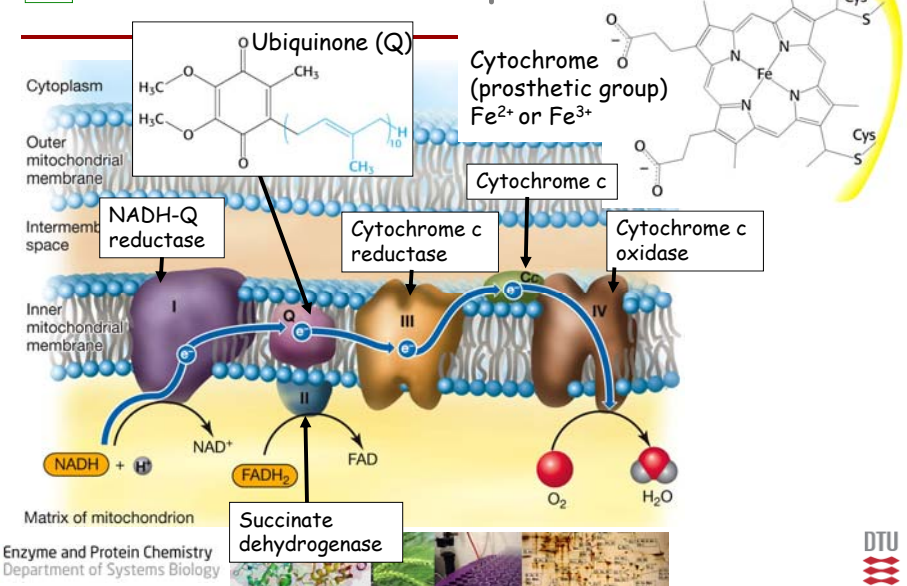
- Controlled re-oxidation of electron carriers under aerobic conditions **Electron transport chain**
- The released energy is used to generate an electrochemical ( $H^+$ ) gradient across the inner membrane of the mitochondrion
- Energy released from the return flux of protons is used for ATP synthesis (**28 ATP per glucose**)
  - Chemiosmotic mechanism



## 4 Energy is released from the electron transport chain in small steps



## 4 Electron transport chain

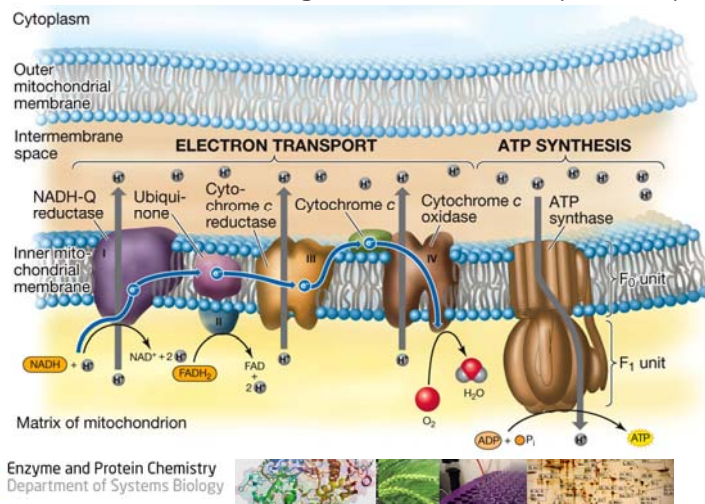




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## Exergonic electron transport is coupled to endergonic $H^+$ transport

The chemiosmotic gradient is used by ATP-synthase

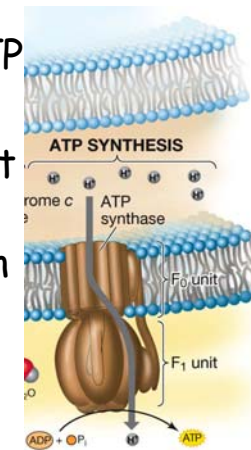


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## The chemiosmotic mechanism

- Result 1:** An artificial  $H^+$  gradient is enough to allow ATP synthesis by mitochondria
- Result 2:** The same experiment with artificial vesicles containing the purified protein shows that ATP synthase is responsible

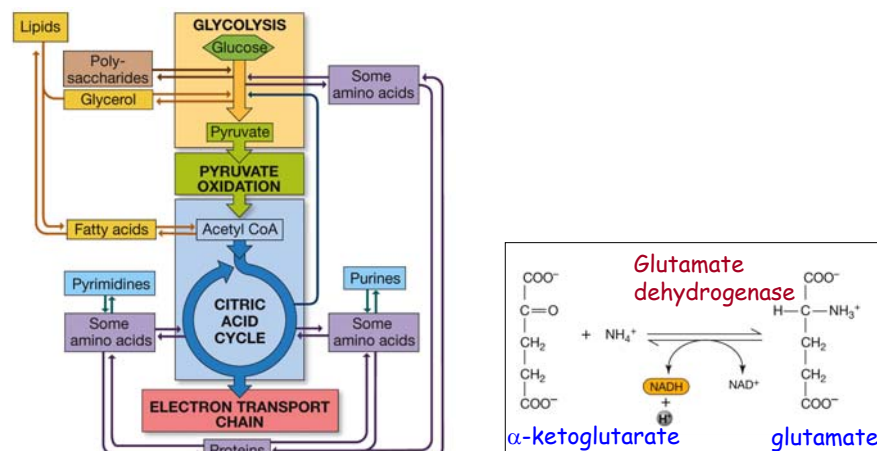
By *uncoupling* ATP synthase ( $H^+$  flux without ATP synthesis) the energy of the gradient is released as heat



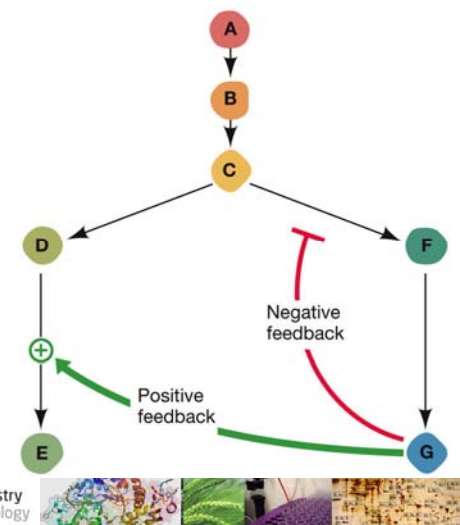
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## Integration with other pathways and anabolic reactions

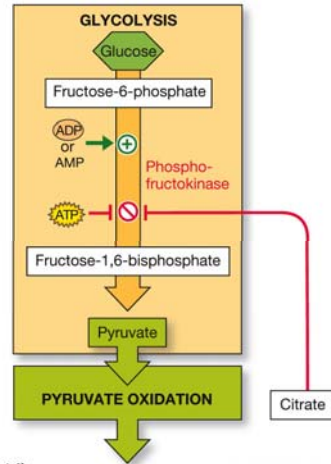


## Feedback regulation (often allosteric)





# Glycolysis is regulated through phosphofructokinase



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# Citric acid cycle is regulated through e.g. isocitrate dehydrogenase

